

**CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS
COUNTY OF MARION,
STATE OF INDIANA**

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 9, 2000

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON LATINO AFFAIRS**

WHEREAS, the Latino community is a growing community within the City of Indianapolis; and

WHEREAS, language and cultural barriers can inhibit productive participation in the life of our City by all of Indianapolis's residents; and

WHEREAS, Indianapolis has a diverse array of communities, and within each of these communities is a diverse array of interests and concerns; and

WHEREAS, Indianapolis cannot afford to lose the benefit of participation by Latino residents or any other segment of our community; and

WHEREAS, Indianapolis must do all it can to communicate effectively with its Latino residents and break down barriers that may exist in the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. The Mayor's Commission on Latino Affairs ("Commission") is hereby established.
2. The Commission shall consist of sixteen persons, one of whom will be the Director of Latino Affairs of the Mayor's Office. The Commissioners, other than the Director of Latino Affairs, will serve one year terms which will expire on December 31st of every year. The Commissioners will serve at the pleasure of the Mayor and will be eligible for reappointment.
3. The mission of the Commission is to promote the Latino community by working to enhance and sustain the quality of life for Latino families and individuals; by removing conditions causing exclusion from the larger community; and, by working to sustain the cultural roots and diversity of the Latino nationalities of Indianapolis and Marion County.
4. In order to achieve its mission, the Commission will:
 - a. advise the Mayor of the nature, magnitude and priorities of the issues affecting the Latino community;
 - b. support efforts toward the improvement of race and ethnic relations;

- c. promote cooperation and understanding between the Commission, the Latino Community and the general public;
- d. stimulate public awareness of the issues of the Latino community;
- e. work closely in coordination with the Director of Latino Affairs of the Mayor's Office; and
- f. easy access to city government services by the Latino community.

5. The Commission may adopt by-laws and other procedures to carry out its mission.

6. This Executive Order shall become effective immediately.

DATED this 1st day of August, 2000.

CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS
AND MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

By: _____

Bart Peterson, Mayor

Approved as to form and legality:

By: _____

A. Scott Chinn, Corporation Counsel